



General Assembly

February Session, 2000

***Raised Bill No. 5827***

LCO No. 2079

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

***An Act Concerning Indemnification Provisions Void As Against Public Policy.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 52-572k of the general statutes is repealed and the following  
2       is substituted in lieu thereof:

3       [(a)] Any covenant, promise, agreement or understanding entered  
4       into in connection with or collateral to a contract or agreement [relative  
5       to the construction, alteration, repair or maintenance of any building,  
6       structure or appurtenances thereto including moving, demolition and  
7       excavating connected therewith,] that purports to indemnify or hold  
8       harmless the promisee against liability for damage arising out of  
9       bodily injury to persons or damage to property caused by or resulting  
10      from the sole negligence of such promisee, [his] or such promisee's  
11      agents or employees, is against public policy and void, provided this  
12      section shall not affect the validity of any insurance contract, workers'  
13      compensation agreement or other agreement issued by a licensed  
14      insurer.

15      [(b)] The provisions of this section shall apply to covenants,

16 promises, agreements or understandings entered into on or after the  
17 thirtieth day next succeeding October 1, 1977.]

***Statement of Purpose:***

To provide that it is against public policy for a party to indemnify itself against its own negligence.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*